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## Legislature Prorogued

**Sensational Session of 1903 Came to an End Yesterday Afternoon.**

**Government Will Now Go to the Country on Party Lines.**

**Interesting Discussion on Items in the Supplementary Estimates.**

The legislative assembly of British Columbia was yesterday afternoon formally prorogued by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, having been in session since the 2nd April last, and actually sitting during 28 days. There will be no further session until an appeal has been made to the people on clear-cut party lines, probably about mid-September, and it is expected that an early spring session of the new legislature will be held in 1904. Although not even yet officially announced, Premier McBride will most probably go to the country with a cabinet composed of himself, Premier and Chief Commissioner; Captain R. G. Tatlow of Vancouver as Financial Minister, Mr. J. B. Green of Kamloops as Minister of Mines, Mr. Charles Kinsol of Vancouver—who is expected to win the Cariboo, and Mr. A. E. McPhillips, K. C., of Victoria. For the present Mr. Wilson will serve as President of the Executive Council, and possibly as Provincial Secretary, although ultimately it is proposed that he shall be Attorney-General; Mr. McPhillips will be Attorney-General pro tem, and it is expected that afterwards the Provincial Secretary—all these arrangements as to finally being conditional upon the new government being sustained at the polls. Sixty-nine measures became statute laws during the current session of the legislature—the most important of these from the standpoint of the people being historic “bill No. 16,” by which the cancellation of the grant to the Columbia & Western railway of blocks 4,503 and 4,504, South East Kootenay, was made final and complete; while the investigation into the railway and land transaction in this connection was fairly described as giving the keynote to the ended session.

When the House assembled for business yesterday, Mr. Hunter renewed his interpellation of the President of the Council pro tem, Hon. Capt. Tatlow, as to the composition of the cabinet, and his (Captain Tatlow's) own position with respect to salary.

As on Wednesday, the reply was that the Premier was not yet ready to make an official announcement as to his colleagues in the ministry—although the spokesmen of the government—chiefs of the House—were informed that the cabinet would be announced in the course of a very few days, and he would be pleased to find the “state” a good Conservative one. As for his own position—he still unhappily continued an unsalaried minister.

“Has the government stopped to consider,” observed Mr. Joseph Martin, “that in holding office as it does, it is shattering the sacred constitution to the back of the house?” The speaker of the House for justification, asking if the President of the Council had read the Colonial articles of 1900, in which he was denounced without mercy for not presenting a full report to the people the instant he himself accepted office.

Hon. Captain Tatlow rejoined that he had not been able to spare time since entering the government to read the back files of any newspaper, and so the matter dropped.

Preliminary to more important business, Hon. Captain Tatlow presented the report of the Bureau of Statistics and Information for the past year, and Mr. Speaker directed that the report of the Provincial Librarian for a similar period.

Mr. Curis was anxious to know when the chairman of the committee appointed to inquire into the Clatskanie bridge cable matter proposed to present the evidence to the House, supplementing necessarily the finding, which had been already dealt with.

Mr. Hall resumed laying the evidence in question before the House, and on motion was ordered received and printed.

Hon. Captain Tatlow added that the correspondence passing between the House and ex-Premier Prior had already appeared in print, there being no further necessity for the motion given notice of in this regard.

Incidentally Mr. Martin inquired if the evidence in the Columbia & Western inquiry was also being printed, and if so when might it be expected to reach the members?

“It will be ready in about one week,” said Mr. Helmecken, who served as secretary of that memorable committee.

Col. Prior explained that before retiring from office, he had given instructions in this connection, providing that the evidence be included in the sessional papers, and also in 1,000 extra copies.

The report of the joint committee of the House on supplementary estimates and legislation remaining upon the orders paper was presented by Hon. Captain Tatlow, and read as follows:

Mr. Speaker: Your committee appointed to revise the estimates beg to make their second report:

1. That the sums brought down in the Supplementary Estimates be adopted.

2. In respect to the bills that should be considered, it is recommended that the following bills only be passed, namely: An Act to Amend the Liquor License Act, 1900, An Act to Amend the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies Act, 1902.

All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed) ROBERT G. TATLOW, Chairman.

Mr. Gilmour at once inquired why it was that certain bills admitted to be deserving of every consideration, and as to which the committee had no objections, were not included in the list of favored measures?

The reply of the spokesman of the government was that these had not been taken up since they were likely to interfere with the railway policy of the government, of which the House would be advised next session.

## Guarding the Boundary

**Sixty-Two U. S. Inspectors on the Lookout for Contraband Chinese.**

**Some Over Official Foreign Inspectors Fittingly Rebuked by Capt. Pybus.**

**Many Vancouver Citizens Draw Pensions From the U. S. Government.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 4.—Frank P. Sargent, chief commissioner of immigration of the United States, here, he says every effort is being made to keep the Chinese out of the United States. For years Canada has been getting the head tax and the United States government is gratified at the action of Canada in putting a prohibitory head tax on Chinese. He is placing 15 more immigration inspectors on the boundary, making 62 in all, but it would be impossible to guard the whole extent of boundary line between British Columbia and Washington State effectively, although they were much improving the situation.

Mr. John Richardson, a fireman of the Kootenay division, the C. P. R., fell from his engine when in motion, tumbled down an embankment 20 feet, remained unconscious 72 hours, and is alive. The accident happened when the train was running out of Nelson.

Mr. Richardson's duties are to be done away with in halibut fishing and the other trawl used. The other trawl is composed of two large boards 8x10 feet, and between these is a purse sein with a sweep of 70 feet or more. The trawl is kept closed by tackle. It is said a new company will first introduce the trawl.

The Rev. R. J. Wilson was inducted pastor of St. Andrew's church last night. Mr. Wilson performed a very successful act by declining to accept \$3,500 salary. He requested the presbytery by letter to make his salary the same as Dr. McLaren's, viz., \$2,500.

Sheriff W. J. Dounst, of Spokane, has been here for several days in connection with the extradition of Vatelet, the Frenchman, who obtained \$4,000 from J. B. Carahan under false pretences. Extradition proceedings will be taken in Vancouver. Vatelet is expected to be brought to Vancouver from Ashcroft tomorrow.

A man named Williams yesterday sent a letter to the Vancouver police, going from store to store, and on the pretence of being connected with the firm of Messrs. Letson & Burpee, obtaining goods on credit. He pleaded guilty and said he was drunk.

Today was pension day in the United States. Forty-five pensioners living in the city of Vancouver received their pensions. The Veterans' association of the United States consular to receive their pensions.

The Veterans held their annual meeting at the Metropole hotel last night. Dr. Tunstall was re-elected president; Mr. O. L. Spencer, vice-president, and Mr. James Starke, secretary-treasurer.

The Rowing Club members are at work training for the Rowing Club regatta this week. The four will comprise a quartette from the banks. One from the lawyers and one from the C. P. R.

Puget Sound received a shock on the arrival of the steamship Empress of Japan last evening, by being requested by a United States officer to hold all passengers until a list of United States citizens was handed to him, and he had inspected it.

The purser reported the matter to Capt. Pybus, who stated that Vancouver was a British port and his was a British vessel, and as soon as the gangway could be got out he would allow the passengers to disembark. It is believed that the strange proceedings of the United States immigration official was over-zealousness in interpreting the new immigration law.

Mr. J. J. Godfrey, formerly a partner in the firm of Bowser & Godfrey, has returned from an extended trip in England, where he was in charge of the St. Hamersley. The new firm will be known as Hamersley & Godfrey.

## AMES FAILURE THE ABSORBING TOPIC

**Statement of Defunct Firm Considered Fair One By Brokers.**

Special to the Colonist.

Toronto, June 4.—The statement of A. E. Ames & Co., is the all-absorbing topic of conversation today among brokers, who term it a fair one. The absence of particulars as to the assets, however, makes it far from reassuring.

“It all depends on the assets,” said a prominent member of the Stock Exchange. “Some of them may be dissipated at once, while others will, no doubt, drag on for a long time.” The local market this morning was less active than yesterday. Twin City showed a disposition to ease off the quotations at 90 1/2. C. P. R. closed at 122. Dominion coal was active, going from \$2 to \$4.50. Soo preferred was strong at 118, while in Soo common there was nothing doing.

## QUEEN DRAGA OF SERBIA.

Belgrade, Serbia, June 4.—The only foundation for the report that King Alexander's French cook had committed suicide at the palace after having been detected in an attempt to poison Queen Draga, is that a scullion employed in the palace committed suicide a week ago on account of a love affair.

## STRATTON ACQUITTED GAMEY INNOCENT

**Commission Report Exonerates Minister and Finds Gamey Did No Wrong.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, June 4.—The report of the Gamey commission was handed down to the legislature this afternoon. It exonerates Hon. Mr. Stratton, and fails to implicate Gamey in any wrong-doing.

## Grand Trunk Bill Reported

**Passes Committee After a Hot Debate and Some Small Changes.**

**Mr. Borden's Resolution Postponed While Members Attend Circus.**

**From Our Own Correspondent.**

Ottawa, June 4.—The Railway committee reported the Grand Trunk Pacific bill, after a hot discussion, Mr. Talbot, of Belchasse, defended the resources of the country it proposes to open. A struggle over the bill took place when Mr. Pringle, Cornwall, moved an amendment that the company, contingent on receiving subsidy be compelled to buy all its supplies from Canadian sources, provided they can be bought as cheaply and of as good quality in Canada. Mr. Pringle's motion was defeated on a vote of 55 to 23. Many Liberals voted with Mr. Pringle, among them Sir P. Borden, Tucker, Talbot, German, Gould, McCool, Snell and Fortier.

A score of members saw Premier Laurier and urged the appointment of George Casey as Dominion architect. The Board of Trade and labor representatives had a conference today with the Senate committee on Mr. Loughheed's bill to prohibit alienism from fomenting labor troubles in Canada. Both sides were heard and a decision postponed.

Hon. Mr. Borden announced that the city of Montreal will have to pay for the military \$18,500, called out on the occasion of the longshoremen's strike.

At the evening sitting, Hon. Mr. Fielding pleaded with Mr. Borden not to press his motion regarding iron and steel duties, urging that many members were at the circus. Mr. Borden said the government must make up its mind shortly what it would do as he would move the resolution not later than Monday.

An animated discussion took place on the prices paid for supplies to government vessels. It transpired that all kinds of luxuries are purchased at high prices.

## MORE CARPENTERS ARE ON STRIKE

**Fort William and Calgary Men Stop Work on Employers Form Union.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, June 4.—Carpenters are on strike at Fort William and Calgary. At Calgary an employers' association was formed. It was decided unanimously that no lumber should hereafter be supplied to union carpenters, that no goods should be received from union teamsters, and that all union carpenters should be discharged by contractors.

The free for all race at Brandon today was won by Democracy.

## MARCONI PRESS DESPATCHES.

Arrangements Completed for Use of System for Report of Races.

New York, June 4.—The Associated Press has perfected arrangements for the use of the Marconi wireless system in connection with the report of the trial races between Reliance, Constitution and Columbia, off Sandy Hook next week.

## FROM NELSON TO SIAM.

Prospectors Leave Inland City on a Distant Cruise.

Nelson, B. C., June 4.—A party of eight prospectors is being organized here by J. H. Scott, representing the English syndicate, to work in the Malay peninsula, Siam, searching for quartz leads. A party was taken out from the prospectors last summer by the same company, and is stated to be progressing most satisfactorily.

## SPokane HOUSEMAID MERGER FOR THE CANADIAN HEIRESS

**By Grandmother's Death Falls Heir to Goodly Inheritance.**

Spokane, June 4.—Housemaid, companion, governess, heiress—step by step the fortune of this city has advanced until today she is a young lady with the possessor of a neat little fortune estimated at \$30,000.

Miss Jones is a young Canadian girl who came to this city to seek her fortune. She had been out in company but a little, and has few acquaintances in this city. Her first position taken here was that of housemaid. For a little over two years she acted in the capacity of companion at the home of Mrs. J. Grier Long, and for the last month she has been caring for a little child in the capacity of a governess at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jussen, 1927 Mission avenue.

The new role of heiress has been acquired within the last few days. The fortune of about \$30,000, it is estimated, has been left to her in the form of an estate in Canada by her grandmother, who died last week.

The property has not been made but the notification of her good fortune has already been received.

## TRANSCONTINENTAL FREIGHT.

Millwaukee, Wis., June 4.—The second day's session of the transcontinental freight bureau was devoted to the consideration of schedules and discussing various claims made by shippers for change in classification of their commodities.

## URSULINE NOVICE.

New York Society Belle Takes the Veil.

New York, June 4.—Miss Inez, the only daughter of Recorder John W. Coffey, will take the veil as a novice in the Ursuline convent today. The parents will be present at the ceremony. She entered the convent last November.

## Commission At Vancouver

**Chief Justice Desires Mr. Estes' Presence to Give Evidence.**

**Brotherhood Offer to Leave Settlement in the Hands of Court.**

**Citizens' Conciliation Committee Almost Succeed in Arranging Trouble.**

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 4.—The labor commission was in session all day today. A large number of documents were put in by the C. P. R. in order to prove that the strike was unjustified.

Mr. E. J. Bird, representing the U. B. R. E., asked for the railway company's black list. Mr. B. P. Davis said that the company had no black list. The Chief Justice in the course of the proceedings, stated that it was of prime importance that President Estes be present. The Chief Justice was informed that Mr. Estes was in Denver. Mr. Davis questioned a witness named Johnson on the situation of the order, in an attempt to prove that the strike was illegal according to the constitution.

The statements on both sides regarding the strike are now in. This afternoon at the conclusion of the evidence, Mr. E. J. Bird, counsel for the U. B. R. E., offered to submit the whole question to the commission and to abide by their decision. This offer has not been taken up by the C. P. R.

For the past week Mr. J. A. Russell, Dr. Carroll, Mr. J. W. McFarland, Mr. Edward Lewis, Mr. W. H. Gallagher and Mr. A. E. Goodman, the Colonist correspondent, as committee of conciliation, requested to act by the U. B. R. E. management, have been striving to bring about a settlement. They were asked to bring a committee of ex-employees and Superintendent Macdonald together. They did this, and arranged an agreement of settlement, which it is said was satisfactory to the C. P. R. and the committee of ex-employees, but not to the majority of the members of the U. B. R. E.

## FIGHTING FOREST FIRES.

Thousands of Acres of Valuable Timber Burnt in Vermont.

Burlington, Vt., June 4.—At least 1,000 men are fighting forest fires in Vermont. Thousands of acres of valuable timber land have been burned over, and there is little prospect that the fires can be checked until rain shall fall. At Hardwick two residences were destroyed. The most serious situation was at Woodstock Mountain, where the towns of Worcester and Elmore. Fire there has burned over 1,400 acres of heavy timber land, valued at \$50 an acre, and is rapidly spreading.

## BIG WHALES IMPRISONED.

Enter Bras d'Or Lake After Mackerel and Give Fishermen Much Sport.

Halifax, N. S., June 4.—Two large white whales, rare specimens in the Atlantic coast waters, are reported to be “imprisoned” in the Bras d'Or lake, Cape Breton. They are supposed to have entered the lake in pursuit of mackerel schools. Cape Breton fishermen are making great efforts to capture one of them.

## IMMORAL PLAYS.

Clause in the Bill Made Wider by the Senate.

Ottawa, June 4.—The Senate committee amended the Criminal Code regarding the presentation of immoral or obscene plays. Hon. Mr. Scott, in view of objection to the owner of a theatre being made liable, moved to amend the bill by striking out the words, “owner or lessee,” and to make the clause “lessee, agent, manager, or any other person in charge,” as the liable party in case of a prosecution. The amendment was agreed to. The word theatre was also extended to include a tent or enclosure.

## LINE NOW ABSORBED BY THE MICHIGAN CENTRAL UNDER PERPETUAL LEASE.

New York, June 4.—According to the Herald, a complete merger of the Canadian Southern railway with the Michigan Central was effected yesterday at the special stockholders' meeting held at St. Thomas, Ontario. It is said to have been effected by a lease of the Canadian Southern to the Michigan Central for 999 years.

There was some opposition among minority stockholders, but the Vanderbilt interests were able to carry the meeting.

The new lease schedules a former, which expires on December 31. Its life was 21 years, and provided for the operation of the company's lines in connection with the Michigan Central, the gross earnings of the whole system to be applied first to the payment of the operating expenses and fixed charges of the companies and the net surplus to be then divided in proportion of two-thirds to the Michigan Central and one-third to the Canada Southern.

Under the new lease the Michigan Central, it is said, will guarantee 2 1/2 on Canada Southern stock until 1910 and 3 per cent. after that date. Directors of the Canada Southern will vest with power to issue bonds, to retire first and second mortgage bonds maturing in 1906 and 1913.

## FATAL TRAIN WRECK.

Eight Persons Killed in Collision on Santa Fe Route.

Kansas, City, June 4.—It is reported here that eight people were killed and several injured in a collision between two Santa Fe trains at Stillwell, Kan., yesterday afternoon. The accident occurred at 7 o'clock this morning, was caused by a collision between southbound passenger train No. 1 and a northbound passenger train. The trains were running over the Missouri Pacific tracks, owing to the flooded condition of the Santa Fe tracks. Both trains were in charge of pilots, and it is said that one of the pilots missed his orders, causing the accident.



# Ravaged by the Bush Fires

## Two Old Ladies Burnt in Conflagration in New Brunswick.

## Much Standing Timber Destroyed in Quebec and Situation Serious.

Sussex, King's County, N. B., June 4.—A forest fire swept down on the farmhouses owned by Isaac Linden and Jas. H. Murphy, at Piccadilly, seven miles from Penobscot, on Wednesday, and both places with barns, etc., were destroyed, and two women were killed. Isaac Linden was away working at another farm when his place caught fire. His widowed mother and her sister, Miss Susan Leackler, both advanced in years, were burned. It seems when the building caught fire, the women went out to the barns to let the horses out, but unfortunately they were by some means unable to escape, for when Mr. Linden returned at night he found the remains of both women among the ruins of the barns.

Montreal, June 4.—The bush fires in this province have apparently spent their force. Tonight the wind is reported to have died away, and the fires are not spreading any more. Rain would during the past two days. Rain would end the danger, for the fires are now smouldering away. Should, however, a brisk wind arise, the damage done would be incalculable. Tonight the fire is right in the outskirts of the city, where a detachment of the Montreal fire brigade was sent this afternoon in response to an appeal for help. St. Jerome is similarly situated. There has not been any considerable loss of property besides standing timber, but as far as this is concerned, the damage is very heavy, and sawmill owners and pulp mills will be considerably affected.

The smoke along the St. Lawrence today was so dense that navigation was practically suspended, the train service to the north, which was badly interrupted yesterday, was in much better shape today. The villages of Astor and Forestville have been completely wiped out. Scores of towns and villages are in constant danger of destruction.

# RAILROAD BUILDING NORTHERN ALASKA

## Preparations for Shipment of Much Equipment for the New Line

Seattle, June 4.—J. W. Dickson, at the head of the Council City & Solomon railway, sailed yesterday for Solomon City, Alaska. One hundred and twenty thousand dollars worth of railroad equipment will follow on the steamships Eureka and Aztec for the construction and operation of a railroad from Solomon City to Council City, a distance of 50 miles.

There are now 35 carsloads of steel rails, 15 of flat cars, two locomotives, a complete road ready for setting up, in Seattle awaiting shipment. All told, there are 1,100 tons of outfit in Seattle now, and 1,000 tons of equipment and outfit to be brought from the East and shipped from here to Solomon City during the summer.

It is calculated, if no untoward events occur, to have the railroad from Solomon City to Council City built and in operation by August 1. The work to be done this summer by the railway company is but a small part of the work projected. From Council City the line is projected to run to Cape York, several hundred miles northwest, and a branch is projected to connect with Nome and another to the Koyukok district, and one up the Fish River, in a northeasterly direction.

# HULL AND OTTAWA AGAIN SINGED

## Three Hundred Thousand Loss At Capital and Many Burnt Out at Hull.

Ottawa, June 4.—At 7 o'clock this morning fire broke out on Sparks street, one block west of Bank street, in Davidson & Thackray's planing mill, saw and door factory. The building was of fireproof construction and could have saved the property from destruction. The flames leaped to the roof, and ate their way through as fast as a fire. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

Hull, June 4.—Thirty-four buildings destroyed and 200 people were rendered homeless by fire, which swept the streets bordering on Lake Minnow, this city, yesterday afternoon. The buildings destroyed were chiefly dwellings of poor French-Canadians. The loss will not exceed \$16,000, with no insurance.

St. John, N. B., June 4.—The village of Briggs Corner, Que., was wiped out by fire yesterday. The people lost practically all they possessed. Forest fires are playing havoc in other parts of New Brunswick.

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# SHAMROCKS LEAVE AZORES.

Fayal, Azores, June 4.—Shamrock III, and Shamrock I, conveyed by the Erin, sailed at 4 o'clock this afternoon for New York.

# U. S. TREATY WITH BRAZIL.

New York, June 4.—It has been officially announced, says a Herald despatch from Rio Janeiro, that a commercial treaty will be signed by the United States and the foreign ministers, containing clauses facilitating the reduction of American flour in Brazil.

# DEATH FROM GLANDERS.

After Terrible Suffering Man Attacked by Disease Succumbs.

Newark, N. J., June 4.—Albert Meyer, who was attacked with glanders three weeks ago, is dead, after terrible suffering.

# DEUTSCHLAND AGROUND.

New York, June 4.—The steamer Deutschland grounded during a dense fog at 4:30 this afternoon, in the lower bay, shortly after high tide. The next high tide is at 3:30 a.m. The marine observer, Stanley Hook reports that he was unable to see the Deutschland when she passed out owing to the dense weather. The weather has not been clear enough for observations eastward at any time today or tonight.

# KING'S COLONIALS ARE EULOGIZED

## Annual Banquet of the Regiment Reveals Most Satisfactory Progress.

Montreal, June 4.—The Star's London cable says: Col. Wallace, commanding the Fifth Royal Irish Rifles, presided at the annual dinner of King's Colonial in the Hotel Cecil yesterday. There was a good muster.

The chairman said he hoped to see formed linked squadrons connecting the various Colonies and the Homeland. The annual dinner of King's Colonial, 900 applicants had been refused admission to the regiment because they lacked colonial qualifications.

Col. Sir Edward Ward, permanent Under Secretary of State in the War Office, and Viscount Maitland, spoke briefly, eulogizing the regiment.

Col. Benson, a former Canadian, who was recently appointed chief of the Remount department, was present. Baron Haasek presented the regiment with \$500.

Col. Benson will be gazetted Major-General on July 1. He is the first Canadian on active service to attain the rank. When questioned as to the truth of the charge that there is a prejudice against colonial officers, he said he did not believe it. He thought the treatment accorded to colonials in the English regiments depended upon themselves entirely. Colonials had the same chance of success in the army as had Motherlanders.

# BOERS RELEASED.

Pretoria, June 4.—Lieut. Governor of Transvaal Sir Arthur W. Lawley has remitted the remainder of the sentence of a majority of the former burghers convicted of military offences during the late war.

# FLOODS ALONG THE MISSISSIPPI

## Water Running Over Levee at St. Louis and Grave Fears Entertained.

Washington, D. C., June 4.—Major-General Batten, commanding the Department of Missouri, telegraphed Adjutant General Corbin regarding the flood situation as follows:

Commanding officer at Fort Leavenworth reports flood situation improving, and that he is rendering all assistance he can where needed. Tents and rations have been sent to Kansas City, and two troops of cavalry have been sent there in assistance of the regulars. Two companies of engineers, with pontoon train, are marching from Fort Leavenworth.

Telegraphic advices to the Post Office Department from the flood district, indicate that the flood situation is improving slowly at Kansas City, but is growing worse in the direction of St. Louis. Postal officials express considerable apprehension regarding the latter point.

St. Louis, Mo., June 4.—A special to the Post Dispatch from Louisiana, Mo., says the Mississippi rose ten inches last night at Secord, and today is running at the level at the lowest point, which is opposite this city, in tiny rivulets. The distance of more than a mile. The Chicago and Alton, Burlington roads are working all the men they can get to save the levee. The Burlington is rushing a train here from St. Louis with 10,000 yards of burlap, with which to make sand bags. The river banks are lined with people anxiously watching the flood.

# POLITICAL RUMORS IN VANCOUVER

## Charles Wilson, K.C., as Attorney General Will Run in Cariboo.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, June 4.—It is persistently rumored here that Mr. Charles Wilson has been positively promised the attorney generalship, and to assume his election beyond peradventure, will run in Cariboo, where he is personally very popular and strong politically. Another report is to the effect that W. J. Bowser is to be a candidate in the forthcoming election. Mr. Bowser does not deny the report, but declines to make a statement for publication.

Electrons are actual particles of matter, so infinitely small that a microscope with 1,000,000 times the capacity of the most powerful instrument now in existence could not discover them.

# FINDINGS IN GAMEY CHARGES

## No Bribe Received From Stratton And Accuser's Memory Ruins Case.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, June 4.—The findings of the commissioners in the Gamey charges case were laid on the table of the House today by Premier Ross. According to Mr. Whitney this is so cleverly worded as to be a complete exoneration of Hon. Mr. Stratton. Gamey is given some hard knocks. The report states: "There is no evidence to sustain the charges of conspiracy against any member of the government, and in ordinary law that accused would be discharged. In our opinion corruption stands disproved. No bribe or money was received from the Provincial Secretary on January 20. The conduct and memory of Gamey as to bribe moneys detract from his credibility. At a momentous point in his life and within a few months of the occurrence, he is uncertain as to the way, when and the person from whom the \$3,000 came. Having conferred with prominent men in his party, he says, and arranged his methods, he employs his share of \$1,500 in the business as if it were a legitimate transaction. He makes no mention in his statement to the House of how he came into possession of the \$1,200, part of the other money said to be received by Sullivan, and which he says \$900 was paid into the Crossen business. But when this is attempted to be discovered by a search in the Crossen books, two pages containing the entries for the 10th and 11th of September disappear, not by the hands of Mr. Crossen, and Mr. Gamey is the only other who had access to them."

# DECOMPOSED BODY FOUND.

Supposed Case of Murder Brought to Light at Seattle.

Seattle, June 4.—Lying in a clump of bushes on the side hill at Meadow Point, the badly decomposed body of an unknown man was found today. On the right side of the head was a bullet hole. The body was found by two Ballard boys, who were roaming about the woods. As no revolver could be found, it leads to the belief that the man was shot down.

# FOREST FIRES RAGE IN NEW YORK

## Flames Spread By Brisk Wind Burn Many Farm Buildings.

Houlton, Me., June 4.—The forest fires in Aroostook county have destroyed 14 of the buildings of the Aroostook railway, and reports from various sections indicate that two small settlements have been destroyed, at least 24 sets of farm buildings have been burned and the fires, which had almost abated last night, were increasing today before a brisk wind.

Glenfalls, N. Y., June 4.—The fire situation in the Adirondacks today is more serious than at any time since the fires began. The heavy timbered sections of woods on Mount Mary, on the north of the Indian lake and Cedar Rapids river, through to Lake George, on the south, is burning over.

After the grip, or other serious illness, Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine to take to restore the appetite and strength.

# ROBBED AND MURDERED.

Body Placed on Truck Between Seattle and Tacoma.

Tacoma, June 4.—James Montgomery, 25 years of age, was robbed, murdered, and his body placed on the Inter-urban truck near Auburn last night. The body was struck by the car coming from Kent to Tacoma, at 6 this morning.

# WE NEED PREACHERS.

So Says Rev. Dr. Sutherland Who Recently Visited Victoria.

British Columbia is suffering from a scarcity of preachers of the gospel. That is the statement made, in an interview with Rev. Dr. Sutherland, general missionary secretary to the Methodist church, who recently visited Victoria. The interview referred to is, in part, as follows:

"Like the rest of Western Canada, Dr. Sutherland said to the Mail and Empire, British Columbia suffers from a scarcity of preachers, but not so severely as Manitoba and the Territories, because the influx of immigrants was not so great.

"Speaking of the West as a whole, he said it would require a tremendous effort for the church to keep pace with the growing population. At present the greater proportion of the probationers were going West, and this was causing a scarcity of ministers in Ontario and the Eastern provinces, but it would be possible for the fields in the older districts to be so arranged that even fewer men than are at present engaged would be sufficient for the work.

"Speaking of general matters, Dr. Sutherland said the labor question was the most important issue before the British Columbia public. Labor complications had caused a general depression in business, but especially in mining, and there was no settlement in sight. Wages were abnormally high. It was the general opinion that when the labor question was resolved, a general revival in business, coal mines, including those on Vancouver Island controlled by the Dunsmuirs, had closed down, and there seemed to be a determination not to yield to the men's demands. The closing of the mines had also caused the smelters to shut down for want of coke. The public felt that a decisive fight between employers and men would have a beneficial effect, and that the sooner it was over the better would it be for the province. The whole matter was being gone into by a commission appointed by the government, and their report was eagerly awaited."

# POINT COMFORT HOTEL.

Many Improvements Made at the Popular Summer Resort.

E. Maude of Point Comfort Hotel has been staying at the Vernon. Many substantial and attractive improvements have been recently added to this popular summer resort. A new wharf and a bathing place has been constructed, whilst walks, drives, and a beautiful garden, with a pond, have also been added. Near the hotel is a rifle, which is quite remarkable. The fisher is carried away on a circuit and brought back to the starting point by the boat. This dispensing with rowing or paddling. The place has long been a popular fishing resort for the Indians, but is now frequented by many others who delight in a good basket.

"I wonder why none of those McGabblon girls has married?" "I suppose it's for the same reason that you didn't attend the Vanderbilt wedding."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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FROSTER—At Kamloops on Saturday, May 20th, the wife of Dr. A. P. Froster, of the 4th.

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## ONE YEAR OF FREE CUBA.

The extent to which had government can damage the material prosperity of a country has been demonstrated in Cuba by a much more pleasing proof than the usual exhibition of the influence of government upon prosperity. With enthusiasm similar to that which marked the inauguration of the Cuban republic last year, the Cubans, on May 20, celebrated the first anniversary of their independence. It is doubtful whether any other republic of modern times ever entered upon its career as easily and successfully as Cuba has done. Cuba has established a record among Latin-American republics, for none of them can compare with her in respect to the auspicious circumstances that mark her first anniversary. Secretary Root, who recently returned from a visit to the island, says in his despatch of congratulation to President Palma that the year's work has "confronted the enemies of Cuba and strengthened the courage and hope of her friends." The \$500,000 net surplus left in the treasury when General Wood turned over the government to the new officials last year, has been increased a little over four times, the amount in the treasury on March 31 being nearly \$2,700,000. The public order has been admirably maintained, with the exception of strike riots in Havana, the kind that frequently occur in the United States. The educational facilities have been increased, sanitation has been maintained, and other improvements of many kinds are being provided. To show how thoroughly the government is sustaining the sanitary measures, it is pointed out that the death rate, per thousand, is the lowest in the history of the island, being 21.19, while in Washington it is 21.21. Trade has increased considerably. We learn from an article in the New York Tribune that the tobacco crop has not been satisfactory because of unfavorable weather, but that the sugar crop has been the second largest in the history of the island. The Cuban legislature, though having had no experience in legislation, and therefore working slowly, has passed the reciprocity treaty, the \$35,000,000 loan bill, and a tariff bill. This record speaks well for the Cubans as a law-abiding people, and one capable of self-government. Few people realized how many Cubans had governmental experience even under Spanish rule, and how many were qualified to take office and administer it well. When the government was turned over to the new officials, many army officers and newspapers predicted that all sorts of trouble would come to the Cubans, with the result that after a few weeks they would apply to the United States for annexation, or that the United States would be compelled to interfere. The one thing to bring about this would be the failure of congress to grant reciprocity. The Brooklyn Eagle, which last year took a pessimistic view of the permanency of the new government, says that "the record of the last 12 months proves that these apprehensions were unjustified. Cast aside to paddle her own canoe, Cuba has paddled it with skill and determination." The work of President Palma comes in for considerable praise by the press. "President Palma seems to be the right man for the helm of state," declares the Brooklyn Standard Union; "he is patriotic and, withal, level-headed." There are, however, two disorders in the Cuban body politic that, it thinks, are a cause for uneasiness. The first is a cumbersome and unduly expensive system of provincial government, which is provided for in the Cuban constitution to avoid a centralization of power in the hands of her national organization. Recent attempts to enforce it have been met with protests, and it is believed that Cuba must do away with the system or run the risk of some sort of internal trouble. The other is the \$35,000,000 loan, with which the government intends to pay the so-called liberating army. The loan has been indorsed by the Cuban congress and President, but there is a hitch in the proceedings. If the veterans had not received encouragement in their hope for a speedy payment, they would have threatened an uprising. Still we may fairly say that Cuba's difficulties with the veterans of the revolutionary army are not greater than those any other country would necessarily have where a large body of its citizens had been in arms for a number of years in defence of their country, and suddenly found upon the conclusion of peace that their occupation was gone.

## PREDIGESTED LITERATURE.

Of all the controversies of which we ever heard, one of the most extraordinary has arisen in the United States over "the art of skipping" in reading books. It was stirred by the following advice given in the Book Lovers' Magazine: "Let the book lover cultivate the art of skipping. It is an art, and it may be learned, mastered even, by the average reader. Follow your own instinct in it; nothing in the art of skipping is so sure as your own instinct. Read while your book holds you. The book lover offers himself a willing victim to his author. Here, he says in effect, 'is my attention. If you can hold it, you are welcome to it. I rather hope you can hold it.' The battle is on. Does

your interest lag? A long paragraph stares at you? Take the first sentence and jump straight to the last. Is the subject still the same? Go ahead. Has the subject changed? Dip into the middle of the paragraph. A glance gives you the connection and again you are away at a canter; before you know it you are reading in lines and paragraphs instead of in words and sentences." We remember hearing Lord Rosebery once remark in speaking at the opening of a free library, that he loved a thumb-marked book, and we remember also the storm of protest which that unlucky remark occasioned, and how Lord Rosebery was moved to explain that he did not refer to any literal thumb mark, but to that appearance of loving use which books that are read and re-read acquire. It is not difficult to understand what Lord Rosebery meant, although his expression was the most unhappy he could possibly have made use of. Similarly, it may be clear that the advice given above is all the treatment that a certain class of books deserves. But to give such advice about books as a whole, is monstrous, and much better advice about the books to whom it does apply, would be not to read them at all. The art of skipping as our authority says, can be mastered by the average reader. It is more easily mastered by the reader who is at or under the average than by anybody else. Moreover, like any vice, once mastered, it is incurable. It is the way the literary critic has to read books to his own great sorrow and disgust. But the way a literary critic has to, is hardly the way a book lover ought to read a book. It reduces literature to the condition of an anatomical museum in which mere skeletons rattle, instead of the dear faces of living friends.

There is loud trouble between the legislature of Ontario and the municipal authorities of Ottawa, and, as a result, certain measures intimately affecting that city are extremely liable to get the marble heart in the Ontario legislative assembly. It would appear from the details to hand, which border on the comic, that the members of the Ontario legislature are even more sensitive to the criticisms of the press than those of legislatures west of Winnipeg. The trouble appears to have commenced with the publication of an article in the Ottawa Evening Journal of the 15th May, to the effect that a municipal delegation to the Ontario legislature had been treated with undue deception. Some keenly appreciative reader of the said article was kind enough to send a marked copy to each member of the provincial house. Their sensitiveness led them to a bitterness of feeling which is perhaps best outlined in an extract from a letter written by Mr. C. Berkeley Powell, M. P. P., one of the insulted law-givers, to the municipal Solons in council at Ottawa. Says the wrathful member:

"I beg to advise you that some anonymous busybody has sent to every member of this House in Toronto a marked copy of the Evening Journal of Friday, May 15, containing the sensational article 'Legislation Was Flim-flammed,' marked prominently. This article attacks every member of the legislature except one, and is going to have a damaging effect on the Ontario bill still in progress before the House."

The idea of a legislature visiting upon an inoffensive municipality a sensational article in a newspaper is distinctly funny, with a form of humor which is, we hope, confined to Ontario.

## PRESS COMMENT.

A lawsuit which may probably be claimed as the oldest in the world is reported from the Trentina. The two countries of Italy and France have been for four centuries in litigation for the possession of an extensive tract of woodland, which has assumed the character of a holy relic. The tract is of colossal size, which no man dares to touch. Spots are said pointed out where, 200 years ago, the two communities fought pitched battles for the disputed wood. Apparently the heroic struggle is as far from closing as ever.—London Mail.

It is reassuring to have a big orchard company near Lebanon come out openly and state that it is going to make shipments of its apples instead of underground shipping the elder oil to France and having it come back under false colors, and at fabulous prices. One would just as soon have his champagne from Lebanon as from France if it tastes and makes you feel the same way. When Lebanon was 1,000 years old it was a wine bottle will look just as imposing as the name of one of those French chateaux, which the people who drink the wine thus labeled can pronounce right.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Montreal street car men's strike has failed, while at the same time such a strike cannot be successful unless the men can show the public that their cause is just.—Toronto Star.

Into the sisterhood of Canadian cities the new city of Niagara Falls, now being incorporated by the legislature, is assured a cordial welcome. If its property and progress are as great as its well-wishers would like they will be great indeed. Looking at the Victoria of Niagara Falls it is not difficult to realize that its future is full of promise. At the gateway of a populous province, and at the source of power which is destined to serve millions, the city of Niagara Falls enjoys a double advantage.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

It is reported that the Great Northern railway, through the Mackenzie and Mann interests, has concluded arrangements for the lease of the line along the line from Joliet to Montreal over the Pont de l'Île bridge and the tracks of the Montreal Terminal Company.—Broadstreets.

A prominent electrical engineer in charge of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, John C. Breckinridge, has been applying electricity in the field of usefulness. For three years past he has been adding the growth of vegetables in his garden at Rockwood, Long Island, by forcing them with electricity, and anticipates better results this year than he has yet obtained. He declares that he has discovered a method by which he can produce more and better vegetables than his friends and neighbors, and that he can bring forth several crops a year.—Tacoma News.

## PROVINCIAL PRESS.

D. D. G. M. Bro. Alexander, of Dorset Lodge, Nanaimo, paid his official visit to Cumberland Lodge last Wednesday. After meeting the brethren adjourned to the Vendome, and there partook of a supper most excellently prepared and tastefully gotten up by the hostess, Mrs. R. S. Robertson. Many visitors were entertained, and on the following morning, Mr. A. H. Lodge of Courtenay, had the pleasure of entertaining the D. D. G. M. and many visitors at Cumberland, the supper being held at the Courtenay House.—Cumberland News.

A resident of Ferguson took a run down last week to Rapid Creek for the purpose of examining the new gold discovery reported from there last fall. When interviewed by an Eagle representative the party had just returned and was enthusiastic regarding the future of that district and was showing samples of ore with the gold plainly visible.—Lardner Eagle.

Bill Doye of Three Forks, shot the largest grizzly that has been captured in the Scotch, last week. The hide measures 7 feet 10 inches from tip to tip, and is a perfect specimen.—New Denver Ledger.

Charles Connor, an old-timer, well known

In this district, died suddenly at the Colonial hotel early yesterday morning. The deceased, who was 60 years of age, came up from Savona on Saturday to see a doctor, as he was not feeling well. He did not, apparently, go to bed on Sunday night, the bartender finding him sitting in a chair when he went on duty at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Shortly afterwards he suddenly expired. The coroner was notified, but did not think an inquest necessary.—Ranloops Sentinel.

## MEN AND THINGS.

A naval gun when fired sustains a pressure of 15 to 17 tons to the square inch. It has previously stood a charge giving a force of 20 tons to the square inch at the proving grounds.

The manufacturers of absinthe in Wisconsin are now exporting to Europe a part of their product, so that the French have competition in the business of making their most important liquor.

It is proposed in France to establish superman observatories by drilling shafts into the earth with oil well machinery. In these the strata, temperature and gases at various depths would be studied.

A number of prominent business people of New Haven, Conn., recently visited Lord Roberts, field marshal of the British army, at his residence in New Haven and Yale. Lord Roberts replied that while he had made no arrangements yet for paying his debt, he wished to visit to America, he would avail himself of the opportunity when it was possible for him to do so.

In his recent lectures on Zola, M. Fauguet of the Académie Française says: "Zola began to write too soon. Every man who writes before he is 30 and who does not devote his entire life to the study of the human mind, is bound to be a failure. Zola, by not waiting until he was 30, has lost the opportunity of becoming a great writer."

## RISIBILITIES.

"You must find it difficult to amuse thousands every night," remarked the man on the lower seat in the dress. "That's a snap," replied the great clown. "But there is one I have a hard time to amuse every night."

"What one is that?"

"The baby when I go home."—Chicago News.

The extent to which the agricultural portions of the middle West are now supplied with modern conveniences may be inferred from the story which follows: There came a ring at the telephone in a farmhouse in Northern Indiana one summer, and the farmer himself responded.

"Hello!" he said.

"Hello!" said the voice at the other end of the wire. "Can you furnish me a bass sledge for tomorrow night?"

"A bass sledge? Why, yes, I reckon so," answered the farmer, laughing.

"What do you want one for?"

"Because the one we've had up to now is old. I usually furnish 'em by the dozen. I won't charge you anything for one. How do you want him sent?"

"What are you talking about?"

"Who do you think you're talkin' to?"

"Isn't this the Indianapolis opera house?"

"No. This is the Barataria frog farm."—Youth's Companion.

"See that man, there?"

"Yes; what about him?"

"One of our great millionaires, but he's lost his appetite. The poor devil lives on milk and cream, and crackers. Pass the hog jowl, please!"—Atlanta Constitution.

## THE LAMPLIGHTER.

My tea is nearly ready and the sun has left the sky.

It's time to take the window to see Leoric going by.

For every night at tea time and before you take your tea.

With lantern and with ladder, he comes posting up the street.

Now, Tom would be a driver and Maria go to sea.

And my papa's a banker and as rich as he can be;

But I, when I am stronger and can choose what I'm to do,

Leoric'll call me at night and light the lamps with you.

For we are very lucky, with a lamp before the door.

And Leoric stops to light it, as he lights so many more;

And O before you hurry by with ladder and with light.

O Leoric, see the little child and nod to him tonight!

—Robert Louis Stevenson.

ENGLISH TRADESMEN'S OPINION OF AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS.

Monetary Times.

It will be remembered that a few months ago a commission composed of some twenty-four English working men delegates belonging to different trades, was taken to the United States by Mr. Alfred Mosley, to study the conditions of labor in the latter country. The result of their observations and enquiries in different cities and towns is embodied in a report issued a fortnight ago. Apparently each man gives a separate opinion, based upon what he saw. The opinions differ widely enough in some respects, but all are agreed that the British workman has nothing to learn from the American workman, while British employers are not so far advanced as the Americans in the treatment of their employees.

The following sentences occur in a later portion of the report: "The workmen who have built up American industries are largely Britishers. Most of the inventions in American workshops come from men hailing from the old country. They adopt modern methods, and England will hold her own in the commercial rivalry of the world." It is thus clear that these delegates have no slightest notion that England's position in the world's industry is hopelessly in the rear. They admire American modern methods, but do not admit that the competition of the United States is destined to "wipe out" European industries. The report of some individuals as to industrial methods may be illustrated by extracts. A Frenchman, a Frenchman, in more or less didactic vein, to social, moral, and political conditions in which they find elements of future danger, but for these we have not space.

Mr. Walls, who represents the British blast furnace men, finds that while the output of the American blast furnace is double that of the English furnace, not more than half the American furnaces are of the most modern type. Mr. E. R. Taylor, the delegate of the open-hearth bricklayers, does not think favorably of United States wall building. He says he would be sorry to see American methods of building adopted in England, while Mr. Dellor, who represents the "National Plasterers' Union," plastering has generally "even in the room in the White House, where the delegates were received by President Roosevelt." The representative of the Parliamentary Committee of the Trades Union Congress, Mr. W. C. Standen, says the British workmen cannot be beaten in the world for solid and well-finished work. He concludes: "Unless something is done to conciliate labor in America, the trust system will bring such an uprising as has not been witnessed for forty years."

Mr. James Cox, the delegate for the iron and steel workers, speaks of Chicago as a place where "the almighty dollar is the unquestioned king" of the new West. He says: "Any third-rate corporation in Great Britain would have accomplished the work in four

## Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup

Cures Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Croup, Asthma, Pain or Tightness in the Chest, Etc.

It stops that tickling in the throat, is pleasant to take and soothing and healing to the lungs. Mr. E. Bishop Brand, the well-known Galt gardener, writes:— "I had a very severe attack of sore throat and tightness in the chest. Some times when I wanted to cough and could not I would almost choke to death. My wife got me a bottle of DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP, and to my surprise I found speedy relief. I would not be without it if it cost \$1.00 a bottle, and I can recommend it to everyone bothered with cough or cold. Price 25 Cents."

years instead of eight. This is illustrative of government work in general. Mr. D. C. Cummings, of the iron and steel shipbuilders quotes Mr. Crang, of Philadelphia, as having said that Great Britain's position as the leading shipbuilder is unsatisfactory, and unlikely to be seriously menaced for the next quarter of a century. "There is as yet no one here," said much variety in the opinion of the delegates concerning up-to-date methods of production, though the general trend of it is largely in favor of America, where "the distinctive feature is a handworking for the most machinery and the best method. The American employers and employees, realize more fully than the Britishers that brain and not brawn count." Mr. Mosley himself goes somewhat lengthily into the state of things he found over here. He says that the American workman has a far better education, is infinitely better paid, housed, fed, and clothed, and, moreover, is much more sober than the British. And he believes that some form of profit sharing is the true solution of the capital and labor question. His final words are: "If we are to hold our own in the commerce of the world, the old methods must be dropped and the old machinery abandoned."

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The mother—Dobly, didn't four conscience tell you that you had done wrong? Dobble—Yes; but I don't believe anything I hear.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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Curtains—Fashion's choice in a window drapery is the bobbinet ruffled curtain. The effect is light, airy and pretty. We are showing many beautiful things in Bobbinets. Weiler Bros.

"I suppose," his wife sneered, "that you got home a little after midnight last night, and that you were perfectly sober?" "It was 15 minutes past 5 when I got home," he replied, "and I was drunker'n a billed owl."—Washington Post.

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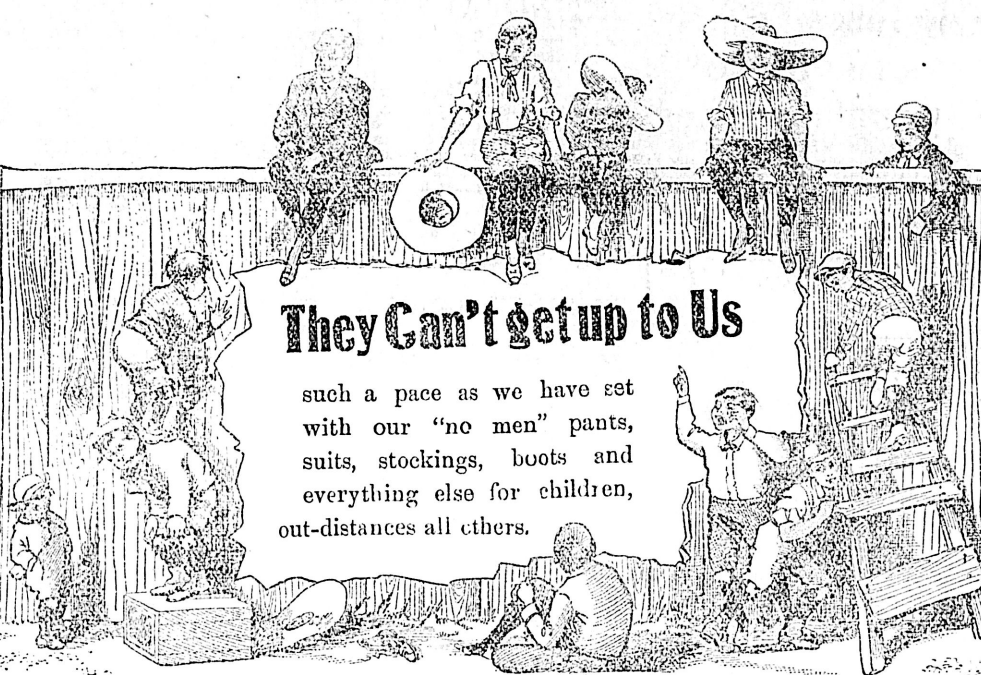
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Extra Heavy Special Price 20c. a pair 2-1 Ribbed, all wool cashmere hose for Boys or Girls, 5 1/2 to 8 1/2 inches. OUR SPECIAL PRICE. . . . .25c.

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New Office.—The B. C. Permanent Loan and Investment Company are fitting up very handsome new offices in the premises lately vacated by the Sterling dry goods house on Government street.

Called at Steveston.—Owing to the summer having had to make a call at Steveston on his trip from Vancouver last evening, she did not get in until near midnight.

Jewish Services.—Divine service will be held at the Congregation Emanuel at 7:30 this evening. Rabbi Dr. S. Philo will conduct the service and deliver an address on "The Teacher's duty and Israel's mission."

Hypnotic Sleep.—Professor McEwen having obtained permission will today give an exhibition of hypnotic sleep in the lobby of the Victoria theatre. The "subject" will remain under the influence until 8:30 p. m.

Victorian Nipped.—It is understood that a well known Victorian was among the number of those who were nipped in the slum in stocks in Montreal. The young man left this city a few months ago, and it is said took a "dip" on the wrong side of the stock market.

Daughters of Pity.—An important meeting of the Daughters of Pity will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at Assembly Hall. At 5 o'clock the committee on the affairs of the "Alice in Wonderland" pantomime will hold a meeting at the same place.

Touring Cricketers.—A team from the Victoria Cricket Club will visit Seattle by the Empress on Thursday, the players of that city in a match tomorrow. It was originally intended to play a match with Tacoma, but as there is no steamer on Thursdays, this match had to be left out.

Masonic Annual Meeting.—The 32nd annual communication of the M. V. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M., will be held at the Victoria hall on Thursday, the 18th inst. The meeting will be held at the Masonic Temple, Granville street, and will no doubt attract a large number of members of the fraternity from all parts of the province.

Orange Men's Social.—The Royal True Blue Orange Association intends holding one of their pleasant socials in Sir William Vane Hall on Wednesday evening, June 10. All who attend will have a pleasant evening, and as this social is in aid of the Orphanage, they expect a good crowd to help along a good cause.

Funeral Yesterday.—The funeral of the late John Roderick O'Connor, took place yesterday morning from the family residence, No. 7 Colburn street, at 9 o'clock, and at the Roman Catholic church at 9:30. Solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Latimer. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Father Colin at the church and grave. The following acted as pallbearers: J. T. Taylor, M. McEwen, J. W. Murray, T. Gier, sr., H. P. McDowell and E. Wall.

Great Improvement.—With the straightening and ballasting of the Pandora avenue line, the cars were making exceedingly good time over the line. In fact the speed of times verges on the unsafe. A noticeable improvement is the steadiness with which the cars travel, there being almost total absence of the rocking motion which was a feature of the run owing to the poor roadbed provided when the line was first built. The avenue is now being macadamized, and when completed will have a greatly improved appearance.

Concert at Gorge.—With the opening of the tourist season, schemes for the entertainment of the public are multiplying apace. The latest bill for patronage on the part of the amusement-seeking public being made by the proprietors of the Victoria Gardens, who have arranged for a grand open air band concert next Sunday by the Pennsylvania band. The attraction ought to draw well, as the Gardens constitute one of the most pretty spots in Victoria. Now that the launch service is inaugurated, many will no doubt go in the delightful water trip.

The Dredge.—Much satisfaction is expressed on all sides at the announcement from Ottawa that the dredge King Edward will resume the task of filling in the mud flats at James Bay next month. There is now a vast quantity of mud deposited on the west side of the retaining wall, and the dredge by the dredge Mudrak as a result of operations in the upper harbor, and when this has been pumped into position by the King Edward, it ought to go a long way towards filling in the big hole. If the dredge intervenes, it is anticipated that simultaneously with the King Edward's reappearance in the harbor, work on the foundations for the big C. P. R. hotel will be commenced.

The Immigration Act.—C. F. Sargent, Chief Commissioner of the United States Immigration Department, here from Honolulu, en route to Washington, says the new United States Immigration Act, which will take effect on July 1, is not subject to the tax of \$2 imposed under the regulation on all foreigners other than Canadians, Cubans or Mexicans entering the United States. There have been considerable alterations at this point, and there have been various interpretations of the law, inasmuch as it did not stipulate how long a man should be a resident of this country before he came under the classification of Canadian.

Want the Railway.—The Victoria Board of Trade is to be asked to join the Vancouver organization in urging upon the Dominion government the necessity of granting to the Canadian Kootenay railway project. At a recent meeting of the Vancouver body the following resolution was passed: "Resolved that this meeting emphatically urges on the Dominion government that a charter be granted and that substantial aid be given to the Vancouver and Coast-Kootenay Railway Company to enable the company to proceed at once with the work herein set forth, and that a copy of this resolution, endorsed by the Vancouver Board of Trade, be forwarded to the Dominion government as well as the member representing this city and district, in the House of Commons."

The Hotel Project.—Victorians will take a special interest in the meeting of the directors of the C. P. R. which is to be held at Montreal tomorrow. It will be recalled that when Sir Thomas Shaughnessy was interviewed in relation to the hotel project he remarked that he would lay the proposition before a meeting of the directors of the company to be held in Montreal on June 6, and he said: "I have never yet had one of my recommendations rejected." It is anticipated that the terms of the proposition will be agreed to at once by the directors and the Mayor at once notified. If the favorable action hoped for is taken, work of preparing the necessary bylaw will be at once undertaken and the project will be before the ratifiers for judgment. It is believed the bylaw will carry by an overwhelming majority.

A Good Investment.—A good wringer is a good investment for any housewife. It saves time, clothes and labor. Prices \$3 to \$5.25 at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

"Keep Cool," is what Peden, the merchant tailor says can quite easily be accomplished by wearing one of his nice light summer suits, which are made up in the highest styles of the art, and of the latest patterns in tweeds and serges. Now is the time to leave your orders that you may get the wear of your suit.

## HAPPENINGS IN POLICE CIRCLES

### William Keeler Wants to Change His Boarding House—Fined For Intimidation.

William Keeler arrived at the police station yesterday morning, and said he had come home. He wore three hats, this being his worldly goods. The old man has been resident at the Old Men's Home, last says he has been "discourteously treated—and he wanted to come back to his old home at the police station. There is, however, one man chasing snakes about a paddled cell, Indians yelling as they run, firewater-laden, about the tank and other troubles at the city lock-up, so Keeler was not like Bill Bailey, asked to come back home. The jailer secured a wagon and the old man was trotted back to his place at the Old Men's Home. He had spent the night sleeping in the bush.

Supt. Massey, of the provincial police, has been advised from Cumberland that Phil Robling, a member of the union, has been tried and convicted before Mr. Adams, S. M., charged with intimidating with threats of violence James Nelson, one of the men who remained in the employ of the coal company when the other miners went on strike. He was fined \$25 and \$8.50 costs, with the option of two months in jail. He paid the fine. Robling was drunk at the time he intimidated Nelson.

Sam and Emily, he a brave from the West Coast, and the watchman from Comox, were in the dock before the police magistrate in the Police Court yesterday, charged with being found drunk. Both admitted that they had been "delate polatly," and they were both fined \$3 and costs, with the option of 10 days in clink. The West Coast Indian had to pay a dollar extra in his costs, having been hauled to the skookum house by wagon.

## MONTH OF MAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

### The Attendance of Scholars Shows a Slight Falling Off.

The school attendance for May shows a slight falling off in the total number present, as compared with that of April, but the number daily present shows a better average. The percentage of tardiness is, however, somewhat in excess of that of the month before. Following are the figures for the different schools:

	Total	Dly.	Atnd.	Tard.
High School	179	156.51	82.40	43
North Ward	473	423.48	81.03	17
Girls' School	434	385.30	88.78	17
North Ward	433	387.05	89.47	43
South Park	385	339.75	88.25	48
Victoria West	331	289.61	87.49	24
Spring Ridge	152	136.52	90.80	18
Hillside	135	112.02	82.07	17
King Street	131	112.02	82.07	17
Rock Bay	91	79.80	87.69	4
Totals for April	2712	2377.80	87.67	283
Totals for May	2708	2358.42	87.05	285

In the following divisions the actual attendance was over 90 per cent.:

- High school—Division 1.
- Boys' school—Divisions 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9.
- Girls' school—Divisions 1, 2, 4, 6.
- North Ward—Division 1.
- South Park—Divisions 1, 5, 8.
- Victoria West—Divisions 1, 5.
- Spring Ridge—Divisions 1, 2.
- Kingston street—Division 1.
- Rock Bay—Division 2.

## DIVER HAS A NARROW ESCAPE

### Chas. Morton Almost Suffocated While at Work in Upper Harbor.

Chas. Morton, diver for the Esquimalt Marine Railway, had a narrow escape from being suffocated while working beneath water in the upper harbor yesterday.

He was engaged in submarine work at the cradle of the Star Ways, which was being prepared to receive some sealing schooners which are to be made ready for the Behring Sea season, when the accident occurred. While working in the diver's lock beneath water, picking up the chain the scow turned turtle in some manner, throwing the air pump and gear into the water, and had it not been for the coolness and quickness of the assistant operating the air pump the diver would undoubtedly have been suffocated, for the pump which furnished him air, to which his air pipes were connected, was submerged.

The assistant, who had managed to get on the bottom of the upturned scow, quickly hauled the diver to the surface, and smashed in the glass plate of the diving helmet as soon as the head had reached the surface. The quickness of the operator, the diver undoubtedly owes his life, for he was without air, and a few moments more would have resulted in death.

As it was the tide was ebbing, and the diver had a very narrow escape.

## GAZETTE NOTIFICATIONS.

Appointments and Other Public Matters in Yesterday's Issue.

The last edition of the Official Gazette contains the following appointments:

To be Justices of the peace, Richard Herbert, of Collier Island; Ashton W. Spilbury, of Whinnock.

Alfred William Allen, of Kaslo, to be Justice of the peace, and a Justice of the peace for the purpose of the "Small Debts Act" for the Alouette mining division.

John Turnbull, canneryman, Ladysmith Caillery, Skeena river, and residing at Walker street, has assigned to Henry Sea and Ernest Temple in trust for the general benefit of his creditors. A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of Eberts & Taylor on June 6th at 3:30 p. m.

The following companies have been incorporated:

British Columbia Distillery Company, Ltd., capital \$300,000, divided into 3,000 shares of one hundred dollars each.

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GROWTH OF Y. M. C. A.

Interesting Account of Progress Made in South Africa.

In the May issue of the Lever, a monthly Y. M. C. A. publication, appear the particulars of the work of the Y. M. C. A. in the Maritime provinces, among which is that of Secretary Wilson, of St. John, and Secretary McWilliam, of Moncton. As regards the work of the Y. M. C. A. in South Africa the following will give a general idea: Recent advices from South Africa indicate a great forward movement by the Young Men's Christian Association of that country. It is reported that no less than six buildings, costing \$500,000, will be erected for these associations in the near future. At Cape Town the association building has been doubled in size at a cost of \$75,000. There is a membership of 1,500 young men, a rapid increase from 400 having been made. This association is the headquarters for thousands of young men in the course of the year, who go to this city—the gateway to South Africa. Young men going to the diamond fields are accommodated by the Kimberley branch, which is to have larger quarters. The frontier point of East London, Cape Colony, established an association a few years, and is doing valuable service to the young men going there from England. The Mayor of Port Elizabeth, together with the clergy, is moving for the establishment of an association in that town. The Y. M. C. A. association is about to expend \$55,000 for the erection of a building, towards which the merchants have given \$50,000. A membership of 1,000 is expected. Pietermaritzburg has a scheme involving an outlay of \$40,000 for a three story building for the city centre of the "Garden Colony." In the Transvaal and Johannesburg plans involving an expenditure of \$250,000 for buildings and improvements, are hatched. The Johannesburg association admitted 157 members in one month. These buildings will provide all that a young man needs in the way of home and club privileges. As yet the Y. M. C. A. of the leading men of South Africa, including the former Governor-General, are engaged with enthusiasm.

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ing.

Speeches by Joseph Martin, W.  
W. B. McInnes and Number  
of Others.

The first shot in the first battle for supremacy in provincial affairs along party lines was fired by the Liberals last evening by a well-attended meeting in the A. O. U. W. Hall. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed and satisfaction was universal at the circumstances that at last there is to be a division of sentiment along the lines separating the two Federal parties. Appropriate and timely campaign speeches were delivered by a half dozen leading Liberals, chief interest of course centering in the remarks of Joseph Martin, who recently resigned the Liberal leadership.

John Piercy occupied the chair, and on the platform were Joseph Martin, M. P., Stuart Henderson, R. Hall, M. P., W. W. B. McInnes, M. P., Hugh Gilmore, M. P., J. Stables, M. P., C. H. Lugin, R. L. Drury, P. C., MacGregor, W. H. Ditchburn, Major John Nicolson, John Beatty, Wm. Cox, Dr. T. J. Jones, James Patterson, A. B. Fraser, Jr., John MacMillan and Ald. W. J. Cameron.

Stuart Henderson, of Ashcroft, president of the provincial association, was the first speaker. He opened by saying that the party was now united for the first time on party lines. That had been due to a combination of forces just announced. The Conservatives were far from being in the same position. The object which the Liberal party sought was to form a government to develop the best province in the Dominion. Money was required to develop the province, and that could not come unless stable government was assured. The government hitherto had fluctuated so much that instability was the result, and this was the reason why the party before the electors would be which party, Grit or Tory, would be placed in office. The Liberals thought the Liberal party would be the best government, and would form the best government. The Conservatives were imbued with an idea of party and personal gain, neglecting the interests of the country. The Liberal party was, he contended, the party of advancement. The bad plight in which British Columbia found itself today was undoubtedly due to misgovernment. Another reason why the Liberals deserved the vote was that the hands of the electors was that the province had not been treated fairly by the Federal government. It was necessary, he thought, that the government of British Columbia should be in the hands of the party of advancement. If it wished to get the concessions which was its due. The Liberals would go into the fight united, and ready and willing to fight, and they were going to win. (Applause.)

He concluded by urging that all organize for the defeat of the Conservatives, and election of Liberals.

Joseph Martin was next introduced, and he was greeted with loud applause. He was glad to say that he was now addressing an audience in Victoria under different circumstances than in 1900, but perhaps that fight had gone a long way towards bringing about what was now decided upon—party lines. He was glad to see that the principle of the Liberal party agreed upon what had occurred in the past in respect to the government—as the latter were always Conservative governments, and the Liberals were always Liberal governments. The arrangements preliminary to the formation of governments, and it had been an unfortunate partnership for the Liberals, as they had not received any real credit for electing successive Conservative governments.

For the future the Liberal party had concluded that this partnership would be ended. (Applause.) Dealing with the situation in the House of Commons after the elections of 1900, he said he came back with eight followers, and the 30 other members having nothing in common it became apparent the latter would be soon quarrelling with the Liberals. So it was felt if his party of eight stuck together they would succeed in embarrassing the government and its followers, and accomplishing something in the interest of the country. A fair distribution of constituencies was striven for, and when the defections in the government occurred, his party was able to decide whether Mr. Dunsinuir should remain in power or not. But it was felt if, holding the balance of power they would be able in any event to get a fair distribution of constituencies, and this was insisted upon by himself from Mr. Dunsinuir, and he secured it—a fair proper measure of justice to all parts of the country. (Applause.) As long as the affairs of the country were conducted on that basis, all sectional feeling would be swept away. (Applause.) He was satisfied that if the Liberals were elected the country would get measures of justice to the whole province. One of the worst evils of the past was the creation of a kind of a clique in the country were interests in the affairs of the Island—but this was not so, the affairs of the country were administered in the interests of a little clique. (Applause.)

Why had they had government? Everybody admitted it. Why was it? Simply because the election in 1900 was not on any principles of policy—the vote was what it was. He thought this man Martin? (Laughter.) Just think of a magnificent province sending its electors to the polls on such an issue! The result was that one of the worst governments in existence was put in office.

But now personality would cut no

figure whatever. The contest would be between two parties on their trial. An election on party lines did not imply a discussion of Dominion policy—such as protection or free trade. That was not included, but it was intended to arrange for a bond of union in the local house so as to make it impossible for flapping to continue. He was not going to abuse the Liberal party, but he had changed from side to side several times because of the faulty system. Now that was to be changed; there was to be stability of position. (Applause.) A government which had to depend on the House on support of members who had no party allegiance could never give good government, as they were dependent on being able to satisfy their supporters from day to day. The Liberals would go into the contest on a clearly defined issue, and backed by a specific body of men in the country—and the representatives elected would represent the Liberal party, and that party would have the whip hand over those members, and as long as it stuck to its principles it could command the allegiance of its members, instead of the latter having the whip hand.

But after all there were difficulties ahead unless either party which might be successful at the polls must have a strong majority—as it would be had to have both parties almost even, and the control of the House in the hands of one or two men. He exhorted his hearers to be sure and send the party in with a strong following. The McBrice government was the same old government—the clique government; and it was time for something new, which would represent the people in a hearty manner, but in such a way as to ensure them having a strong majority.

Dealing with what a Liberal government would have to do he mentioned that a cleaning up process had to be undertaken—the bunch of unnecessary government officials swept away. The government would be administered as a business institution, not a party machine, and soundly and properly. He could point to lots of officials who were drawing over a hundred dollars a month who could not, if they lost their jobs, earn 800. These hordes must be swept away. The Liberals would feel free to slash right and left, as they had not been given an opportunity in the past to get any of their friends in. (Laughter and applause.)

The evil manner in which the lands and resources of the province were administered were next dealt with by Mr. Martin. Great quantities had been alienated, but as the province was so large there were yet large tracts which were valuable when opened up by railways, and when the lands were opened up they would be disposed of and administered entirely in the interests of the country. (Applause.)

Touching on the railway question, he said the policy of his party would be to build railways as fast as the means of the country would permit. He would not favor mortgaging the future too much; but he would always favor assisting the development of the country in every way possible.

As for the Mongolian question, he was sorry to say the policy of the Dominion government was not satisfactory. When it came to being a local question, which was being dealt with, and it was necessary to take a stand in the interests of the country, he would stand by the local people, regardless of the attitude of the Federal authorities. The disallowance power was on the wrong basis. In all cases when the Dominion government was dealing with the Mongolian question, they should consider the people of British Columbia, as they were the only people in Canada who were affected. It was a question of life and death with British Columbia if the laws could not be enforced, the people must move out and give place to the Mongolian horde. (Applause.)

Concluding, he hoped the greatest discretion would be used in choosing candidates. He was so filled if good sound Liberals were chosen, Victoria would make a new record in local matters, as it had done in Dominion affairs. (Applause.)

Hugh Gilmore, M. P., of Vancouver, was the next speaker. He was delighted to be in the province, and he was sure it was an easy thing to turn down the McBrice government. The Island would not be pleased with its representation in the new cabinet, but he was sure of discord in the ranks of the Conservatives, and he predicted a sweeping victory for the Liberals. He had fought for party lines since 1883, and was now fighting for them. He was the only system by which the affairs of the country could be successfully carried out. He personally would like to see the Island developed, as it was a magnificent country, and he was sure the new Liberal government would help in carrying that out. (Applause.)

Mr. Stables, of Atlin, next addressed the meeting, expressing pleasure at being able to say a few words to Victorians. He predicted certain and speedy success for the Liberals at the polls. There was great need for a change in British Columbia. She should wake up and throw off the prop of all sorts of her, and she—the best province in the Dominion—was lagging behind. He thought Premier McBride had treated his Liberal supporters with scant courtesy—and it was now time for him to show them that by making his reign as short as possible.

W. W. B. McInnes was the next speaker. He was greeted with loud applause. He was pleased that no time was being lost in getting ready for the battle. This was the time when Liberals should congratulate themselves on the advent of party lines—the only kind of responsible party government. It ought to have been taken years ago. During the last five years they had had no less than six governments—a worse record than one of the Central American republics. (Laughter.) With the incoming party of party lines, we have a guarantee of stable government, and the influx of capital. It was a matter for congratulation that the Liberals were going to battle with a united front, while the Conservatives were divided and assunder by internal dissensions. The Liberal party had a great work to do,

a work which no party but the Liberal party could do. The Conservative party could not do it for it stood for clique rule. He concluded by expressing satisfaction at the turn events had taken, and predicted certain success.

Richard Hall, M. P., was next called upon. He was loudly applauded on taking the platform. British Columbia had entered on a new era. He had fought against party lines for a long time, but had become a convert, as he had noticed a strong undercurrent of party feeling in governments he had supported, and this paralyzed the efforts of administrations. He trusted that the new decision would be for the best. There was one satisfactory aspect about the situation—they were going to the country with a united front, and he was certain that the elections would result in a Liberal victory by an overwhelming majority. Laurier's splendid record would bring to the support of the Liberals many who had not heretofore been identified with them. It was very important, he thought, that the next government of British Columbia should be one in sympathy with the government at Ottawa. (Applause.)

John Macmillan was the next speaker, and he delivered a short address which evoked much applause. He had always been in favor of party lines, and of course no welcome to the turn events had taken. He made interesting references to what he had observed during a visit to New Zealand—citing numerous lessons which the electors of British Columbia could study with profit.

R. L. Drury, called upon for a few remarks, expressed his pleasure at the many evidences which indicated a victory for the Liberal party, and the return of good times for the province of British Columbia. A new and better day had dawned for British Columbia, and he had no doubt that the flag of victory would be nailed to the masthead of the Liberals.

"God Save the King" was then sung, and the proceedings terminated.

## Arion Club's Fine Concert

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The concert of the Arion Club are justly regarded as a masterpiece of local musical circles, for the club has not been contented with maintaining a lofty standard of excellence, but with each successive performance a praise-worthy endeavor is made to add a step higher in its proud record of successful attainment. Last evening the club at the third concert of its eleventh season, added another to its growing list of triumphs, and indeed, some respects it easily transcended all previous efforts. The choral numbers were characterized by an artistic finish fully meeting the demands of the most fastidious. Whilst the various glees were rendered with that lofty degree of true art, whereby art is concealed, it was apparent that the club had gone conscientiously through an exacting amount of detail in reaching such consummate heights of excellence. The use of superlatives is amply warranted in referring to the splendid choral work of last evening, for the most captious could not but pay tribute to the success achieved.

The rendition of Wagner's "Prelude" in strong relief as the resplendent gem of the evening, its numbers, the voices were supplemented by the organ, and string accompaniments, the instrumentalists being Miss Agnes Russell, piano; Mr. G. J. Burnett, organ; Mr. Leonard Nash, violin; Mr. T. R. Smith, second violin; Mr. Jess Longhead, viola, and Mr. Aaron Paratt, violoncello. The beauties of the human composition were admirably expressed, the audience being especially appreciative of the bass section, which possessed a fine quality of tone—full, round and resonant. The crescendos were managed most effectively, and in the final verse there was an impressive climax revealing a magnificent display of the vocalists' co-ordination with the strings taking the beautiful descending triplets, produced an effect which from the standpoint of musical excellence quite surpassed anything attempted at the recent extravagantly lauded musical festival.

Not only was the singing highly meritorious, but the vocal selections were of a pleasing variety, and thus providing an opportunity for the club to indulge in diversified effects. A goodly proportion of them were on martial themes, and the music in consequence was strong marked, robust, and virile in character. The two cavalcades, words by Robert Browning and music by Graziella Bantock, the one entitled "Give a Rouse," and the other, "Foot and Saddle," had a quaint old world aroma, recalling the zany exploits of the medieval Devil troopers in the days when cavalier and roundhead met in deadly combat.

"Foot and Saddle" was the first number to receive an encore, the spirit infused into the chorus by the dramatic construction of the part singing in the line, "Foot, Saddle, to Horse and Away" creating a desire for a repetition. A. M. Stables' "Night Witchery," is a beautiful composition with its dramatic refrain in the second and fourth verses assigned to the baritone. This number was delicately phrased, the rich harmonies and modulations being given adequate expression, and the delicate gradations being executed in a most artistic manner. This number was also given a rapturous encore. Strauss' beautiful Blue Danube waltzes, with their entrancing melodies, lost nothing in their word setting, though some of the lines took full advantage of poetic licence as exemplified in the line, "The artist there with tumbling hair." Dudley Buck's "The Song of the Drum" was an illustration of this composers adroitness in beautiful part effects.

Leinze's "Sunday on the Sea" was invested with the calm intensity of the devotional mood. The final choral number was Gounod's "Soldiers Chorus," and the club in the well known chorus of "Gloria and Love to the Men of Old," developed a surprising fortissimo, the notes swelling out with a power of utterance quite convincing the audience that the club was "ready to fight or ready to die for fatherland."

Miss Grace Helen Bradley, of Tacoma, did not approach the merits of some of her previous appearances here. In Pomeroy's "Nymphs and Fauns," there was an indication of effort, the song itself was difficult enough to test the powers of the most gifted cantatrice. Her voice neither in compass or strength was equal to the song. Her efforts revealed familiarity with technique which the lived and voice is perfect, every syllable being given clearly and distinctly. The one defect is that her voice is not "large."

Of her concluding three numbers, MacDowell's "The Robin in the Apple Tree," Allister's "Since We parted," and Arne's Pelly Willis, the second gave the most pleasure, it being better adapted in compass than the others. Miss Bradley again rendered an enthusiastic recital.

Mr. A. T. Goward's solo, "Ah! Moon of My Delight," from Liza Lehman's "In a Persian Garden," was well rendered, though the pronunciation, marred by a certain restraint, whilst his articulation is indistinct and he did not

altogether succeed in bringing out the wealth of sentiment.

His rendition may not inaptly be compared to a beautiful rose possessing a faint perfume, but without the delicious fragrance of the perfect bloom.

H. J. Cave was in splendid voice in the tenor solo in Franz Abt's "Father's Watchful Eye." Every note was as clear as a bell, and his articulation was particularly good.

E. Howard Russell, B. A., wielded the baton and no small measure of the success achieved last evening is due to his untiring and zealous efforts in promoting his musical progress. He is an infatigable worker.

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The bursting of a 12 inch gun on the Island is still under investigation, but it is known that with the quarterly target practice for six years, the bombardment of San Juan and the battle with Cerbera it had been fired more than 200 times. The average life of the large bore, built up gun is estimated at ranging from 150 to 200 rounds, so that the gun has had its day.

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should go to the people wherever possible. "I cordially endorse the remarks of the member for Victoria," said Mr. Martin. "I quite agree with him."

"Hear, hear," said the genial member. "That's the first time the senior member for Vancouver has ever agreed with me."

Mr. Martin added that the system of assisting hospital construction should be made general. A statute should be provided under which when the people of any district needed an hospital, the government, on furnishing a portion of the required fund, obtain as a right, not a favor or a bribe for support, the amount of public assistance, if it ever got to the new government, if it ever got a chance—which it would probably not get—would get this matter in shape.

On the vote for \$3,500 for a road from Ashcroft to Highland Valley, Mr. Curtis thought a mistake was being made. There was a wagon road in the direction of the valley already from Spuzzum, and if this road were continued, it would open up a very fine line of mineral country. It was not the road, should be, which was the subject of the amendment. He proposed an amendment that would enable the government to select the proper route, adding the words "or Spuzzum" after "Ashcroft" in the vote.

Mr. Martin was inclined to the opinion that the Rossland member was laboring under some misapprehension. This road had been urged for years by the people of Ashcroft, and the Highland Valley district. Spuzzum was on the railway line 150 miles away. The member for Rossland most probably referred to Spuzzum—he certainly could not get to Spuzzum, quite 150 miles out of the way.

"That is much nearer than he usually gets to the facts," observed the senior member for Vancouver, genially. "I feel like supporting the member for Rossland in this instance, as he undoubtedly thinks he knows much more about the subject than the member for West Yale, who has only lived in the district a matter of 25 or 30 years."

"No doubt the member for Vancouver knows that he knows much more about it than other of us," retorted Mr. Curtis. He accepted the amendment of Spuzzum, having probably got the names confused. "I am satisfied that neither the member for Rossland nor the member for Vancouver knows much about it," said Mr. Oliver. The vote passed for the purchase of the land for \$20,000 for the purchase of the land for \$20,000.

Mr. McPhillips and Mr. Martin also approved the vote. The latter dealing with it gracefully, as ending a subject that for 20 years had provided training for British Columbia politicians.

Col. Prior very vigorously objected that there had been eliminated from the supplementary estimates an item for a trail from Cowichan lake to Alberni and thence through Vancouver Island to Union mines. This had been originally urged by the member for North Vancouver, and was a valuable item for the purpose of opening up a richly mineralized country. It was indeed one of the most necessary works of the province today. It would facilitate progress and induce the investment of capital with corresponding advantage to the revenue.

Hon. Capt. Taitow admitted the desirability of the work, but held that the condition of the country's finances at present would not permit the incorporation of the item.

This Col. Prior opposed. Dewdney, Richmond and other Mainland constituencies all were well provided with this necessity, and they could not therefore be refused on the score of imperative retrenchment.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite observed that if Col. Prior had recognized the necessity of the island in this regard, it was passing strange that he had not included the vote in his main estimates. He had done nothing during the period of his premiership, and now he was virtually insisting that his predecessors had not done the thing he should.

Col. Prior remarked that the member for Nanaimo City had never asked for such a trail. The member for Alberni had urged it as a necessity and had been promised it.

"The member for Alberni was in a position to promise his support to the government, and there was nothing that would have induced me to go to that length," said Mr. Hawthornthwaite.

"And I certainly recognized the necessity of the support of the member for Nanaimo City," remarked the Colonist.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite's response reviewed the past—a government which he declared had persistently ignored Vancouver Island except that portion included in the corporate limits of Victoria city. He

## Songhees To Be Removed

Twenty Thousand Dollars Provided To Buy A Reservation For The Tribe.

Supplementary Estimates Pass The Legislature With The Total At \$130,830.

The supplementary estimates of revenue and expenditure presented to and passed by the local legislature yesterday, total \$130,830, exclusive of such amount as it may be found necessary for the province to pay under authority of the Shuswap Railway Guarantee Act of 1890, and the Yukon and Stickeen Railway Act of 1894, which is approximated at \$50,000.

The one great feature of the supplementary estimates insofar as Victoria city is concerned is an item of \$20,000 for the purpose of providing a new home for the Indians of the Songhees tribe, upon the selection of which these Indians will be removed from the present reservation around which has grown the city of Victoria.

The supplementary estimates in their entirety are as follows:

LEGISLATION.  
Contingent fund, additional, \$2,000 00  
HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES.  
In aid of hospitals, additional, \$2,700 00  
In aid of resident physician, Windermere (re vote) 150 00

EDUCATION.  
Inspection of schools, traveling expenses, additional 500 00

PUBLIC WORKS.  
Horsely Mining Recorder's office, additional 570 00  
Surreys, additional 1,000 00

MISCELLANEOUS.  
Destruction of wolves, etc., \$1,250 00  
Expenses Fernie strike committee, additional 400 00  
Gratuity widow H. K. Dunn, Vancouver 240 00

Gratuity widow D. Irwin, Victoria 345 00  
Gratuity widow C. Booth, Victoria 450 00  
Allowance to superintendent of Reformatory, on retirement 270 00

LEGISLATION.  
Indemnity to members, additional 3,200 00  
Mileage, additional, approximately 1,000 00  
Registration of voters, preparation and printing of new lists (additional to \$2,500 voted) 12,500 00

Expenses (additional to \$1,000 voted) 10,000 00  
HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES.  
Grant in aid of resident physician, 150-Mile House (additional to \$300 voted) 200 00

Grant in aid of resident physician, Creston (additional to \$300 voted) 500 00  
Grant in aid of resident physician, Heriot Bay 500 00

Grant in aid of resident physician, Camborne 300 00  
Grant to Vancouver General Hospital (conditional) 20,000 00  
Grant to Yauk Hospital, towards construction 2,000 00

Grant to Vernon Hospital, towards improvements and repairs, including septic tank 700 00  
Grant to Kaslo Hospital, for furniture 500 00

EDUCATION.  
Inspection of schools (additional), Superintendent of Manual Training Schools 1,500 00  
Teachers' salaries and incidental expenses (additional) 4,030 00

Armstrong, principal (additional to salary) 12 months, 60 00  
30th June, 1904, at \$5 per month 60 00  
Barnston Island, monitor, at \$40 per month 480 00

Barnston Island, incidental expenses 40 00  
Chilliwack High School, principal, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$100 1,200 00  
Chilliwack High School, incidental expenses 40 00

Galena, monitor, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$50 600 00  
Galena, incidental expenses 50 00  
Lotbiniere, teacher, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$50 600 00

Lotbiniere, incidental expenses 40 00  
Rosenberg, monitor, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$50 600 00  
Rosenberg, incidental expenses 50 00

Warm Spring, monitor, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$50 600 00  
Warm Spring, incidental expenses 50 00  
Wellington, North, monitor, 12 months, to 30th June, 1904, at \$40 480 00  
Wellington, North, incidental expenses 40 00

PUBLIC WORKS.  
Provincial Home, Kamloops (additional to \$300 voted) 750 00  
Government House, Victoria (additional to \$3,000 voted) 4,000 00

Lock-up and Court House, Clayoquot 500 00  
Vault for Trout Lake office 800 00  
High School, Vernon 5,000 00

Roads, Streets, Bridges and Wharves.  
Westminster district, Richmond riding (additional to \$5,000 voted) 5,000 00  
Westminster district, Dewdney riding (additional to \$4,000 voted) 7,500 00

Westminster district, Chilliwack riding (additional to \$3,000 voted) 3,000 00  
Westminster district, Delta riding (additional to \$1,000 voted) 1,000 00  
Westminster district, Fraser riding (additional to \$1,000 voted) 1,000 00

Road, Vancouver to Elburne 6,000 00  
Road, Lumbly to Monashee 1,000 00  
Road, West Fork, Kettle River, to Carmin 5,000 00

Road, Ashcroft to Highland Valley 7,000 00  
Wharves generally (additional to \$4,500 voted) 3,500 00  
Wharf, Beaver Point (conditional) 400 00

Ferry subsidy, Lytton (construction \$450, and operating \$500) 950 00  
Ferry subsidy, Pelly River 600 00  
Aid to steamboat service, Revelstoke to Death Rapids 2,500 00

MISCELLANEOUS.  
Traveling Library 750 00  
Agricultural societies, 1,200 00  
Central Park Agricultural Society 400 00

In aid of Farmers' Institutes, poultry shows 300 00  
Purchase of Songhees Reserve (Kootenay's Christian Association, Vancouver) 1,500 00  
Nelson Mineral and Agricultural Society 2,000 00

Superannuation—J. Mellon and A. O'Connor, each \$25 per annum (additional to \$1,000 voted) 600 00  
Immigration (additional to \$1,000 voted) 2,000 00  
Administration of British Columbia Immigration Act, 1903 2,000 00

Great Yarmouth, England has the narrowest street in the world. There are many narrow streets in Great Yarmouth but the narrowest is Kitty. Witches, which is only fifty-five inches wide. You can lean out of your window and shake hands with your neighbor across the street.

## Salmon Will Go By Steamers

Shippers Will Use Steam Instead of Sail for Greater Part of Pack.

Tees Sails for Naas and Way Ports—Hyades Due From the Orient.

It is generally understood that the bulk of this season's salmon pack will be carried to England by the round-world liners of Dowdell & Co.—the China Mutual and Ocean line steamers, which make monthly trips to and from Victoria, giving a 20-day service between Liverpool and Victoria, Vancouver and Tacoma. In past seasons a number of sailers have been chartered at this time to carry the salmon pack home, but your no charterers have been announced to date, although there has been some talk that the rail-laden ship Vincent, which is making a delayed voyage from Rotterdam via Montevideo, at which port she had to put in and discharge her cargo to make repairs, has been fixed to load salmon homeward. Freight rates are low, and with the large number of disengaged ships still on the Coast, there has been no disposition on the part of the shippers to charter vessels in advance. The fact that one local firm which chartered a vessel away in advance last year on a falling market, lost heavily as a result. There are plenty of idle vessels on the Coast which can be secured and a large fleet of coal carriers bound here, which could be engaged, but, as far as is known at present, it is said to be the intention to send most of the salmon pack by the steamers, which will land their cargoes in the English ports 70 days out from this port. The sailing ships occupy about twice that time.

The British Columbia Cannery combine has secured a large amount of their supplies, if not nearly all, that they have imported from England and Europe, by the round-the-world steamers, this season, and the tin plate, salt and other supplies have for the most part been landed at Vancouver by the new corporation instead of at Victoria, as in past years. The shipments taken from Vancouver by the C. P. R. steamers running on the British Columbia Coast are in consequence in excess of those taken from Victoria for the canneries, and there are but four or five of the canneries which secure their supplies in Victoria this year, while the others control by the new corporation now secure their supplies on the Mainland, instead of at this port as in the past.

The steamer Tees sailed last night from Turner-Bear's wharf for Naas and Northern canneries and way ports, and her cargo loaded at this port was not as large as any taken at the opening of the cannery season last year. The cannery took good shipments of groceries and market goods, but a small amount of cannery supplies. In her twelve decks she had a large number of Chinese cannery employees, for fishing is expected to commence about the 15th, and all the canneries are about ready to commence operations. Some have been fishing spring salmon for some time, especially the Wallace Bros., outfit on the Skeena, which has worked up a large trade in frozen fish.

HYADES DUE.  
Boston Tugboat Liner Expected to Reach Port Today.

Steamer Hyades, of the Boston Tugboat Company, is now due from the Orient, having sailed from Muroan on May 21 with part of the coal shipment being brought for the C. P. R. in connection with the strike at the Vancouver Island collieries. The steamer Ajax, which left the coal port in Northern Japan on May 28 is following her, and will arrive at Vancouver, to which port it will go direct, on June 10. She will come to Victoria to discharge her local cargo, amounting to 650 tons, after discharging at Vancouver.

MARINE NOTES.  
The steamer Robert Adamson, which is coming to Esquimalt for repairs, will not arrive before Saturday.

H. M. S. Dacia left yesterday for Comox. She will be followed shortly by the flag ship. The fleet will go to Vancouver for the Dominion Day celebrations.

D. G. S. Quadra left yesterday for Esquimalt with men and supplies for the lighthouse, and for light stations en route.

Steamer Cottage City will re-enter service this morning after being extensively repaired. She will leave the Ocean docks at 6 a. m. W. Marchant, recently transferred to the appraiser's office at Inverness, and W. Simpson and Master Levy are among the passengers booked.

The statement in the evening paper that the steamer Victoria, wrecked on the China Coast will be saved, is in error. She was recently given up, being abandoned as a total wreck.

Steamer Charming did not arrive until near midnight, having gone to the Esquimalt after leaving Vancouver to load a number of cats, which were to have been brought by the steamer Yosemite had she not met with accident.

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The Charming also brought the broken cross-heads of the steamer Yosemite, which are to be repaired at the Albion Iron Works in this city.

OVERDUES.  
British bark Samaritan, 1007 tons, Port Tampa to Yokohama, 148 days out, 15 per cent.  
Norwegian bark Spes, 668 tons, London to Freemantle, 150 days out, 35 per cent.

Swedish bark Medea, 1021 tons, Liverpool to Wellington, 137 days out, 30 per cent.  
British bark Lyderhorn, 2087 tons, Ballard to Delagoa Bay, 144 days out, 15 per cent.

ARRIVED.  
British bark Endryed, 1081 tons, Newcastle, N. S. W., for Salaverry, 105 days out, 25 per cent.

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THE STATEMENT IN THE EVENING PAPER THAT THE STEAMER VICTORIA, WRECKED ON THE CHINA COAST WILL BE SAVED, IS IN ERROR. SHE WAS RECENTLY GIVEN UP, BEING ABANDONED AS A TOTAL WRECK.

STEAMER CHARMING DID NOT ARRIVE UNTIL NEAR MIDNIGHT, HAVING GONE TO THE ESQUIMALT AFTER LEAVING VANCOUVER TO LOAD A NUMBER OF CATS, WHICH WERE TO HAVE BEEN BROUGHT BY THE STEAMER YOSEMITE HAD SHE NOT MET WITH ACCIDENT.

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